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George H. Ryan Secretary of State

A Message from the Secretary



The Illinois Secretary of State's office, in order to recognize those who have served our country, offers nine military service-related license plates.

Armed Forces Reserves, Retired Armed Forces and Illinois National Guard license plates were created to acknowledge those individuals who are working or have worked to protect citizens in times of national emergency and disaster.

The Disabled Veteran, Ex-Prisoner of War, and Purple Heart license plates honor those who endured the pains of war while defending this nation. The Gold Star license plate honors the spouses or parents of persons who lost their lives while in the service, whether in peacetime or war.

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Illinois also honors those recipients of the highest award given by our country, the Congressional Medal of Honor, for their actions far beyond the call of duty.

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Secretary of State

CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR



Any resident of Illinois who has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor is eligible to apply for these plates at no

cost. For further information, contact the Non-Standard Plates Section.

GOLD STAR



Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Gold Star and is the surviving spouse or — if there is no spouse — the surviving parent of a service member who has lost

his or her life while in the U.S. Armed Forces may apply for one set of these plates.

Required: an affirmation statement attesting to receipt of the Gold Star, including the service member's name and relationship to the applicant.

DISABLED VETERAN



Any United States Armed Forces veteran who has a 100 percent military disability or who is eligible to receive a grant from the U.S. government to-

ward the purchase of a vehicle may obtain one set of DV plates. No fees are required for these plates.

NOTE: Vehicles displaying DV plates may occupy areas specifically reserved for use by handicapped persons. Parking meter fees and time limitations are also waived, except at meters, signs or other markings with time limitations of 30 minutes or less.

Required: a letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs verifying that you: (1) are 100 percent military service disabled, or (2) are eligible to receive a grant from the U.S. government toward the purchase of a vehicle, or (3) have received a grant from the U.S. government toward the purchase of a vehicle.

RETIRED ARMED FORCES



Any retired member of the U.S. Armed Forces who resides in Illinois may apply for these plates.

Required: a copy of D.D. Form 2 (U.S. Uniformed Service I.D. Card)

verifying full retirement status.

NOTE: Members of the Armed Forces Reserves or Illinois National Guard who have not reached the age of 60 must submit a copy of D.D. Form 2 and documentation showing transfer to retired status.

PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR

PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR Any Illinois resident, who, while a member of the United States Armed Forces, participated in the battle of

Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, may apply for these plates.

Required: an affirmation stating the applicant was present on the island of Oahu or aboard ship within three miles of the island at the time of the attack.

EX-PRISONER OF WAR



Any U.S. citizen who is a present or former member of the U.S. Armed Forces or any of its Allies and who was a prisoner of war may apply for these plates. *Only one set of "X-*

POW" plates shall be issued. No fee is required for these plates.

The widowed spouse of a former member of the U.S. Armed Forces may apply for the plates, providing that the widowed spouse: (1) was married to the ex-prisoner of war at the time the ex-prisoner of war died, **and** (2) is single at the time of the application.

The ex-prisoner of war's name must appear as owner or co-owner on both the title and the registration application.

Required: a form from the federal government or a letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs verifying your ex-prisoner of war status.

PURPLE HEART



Any U. S. citizen who resides in Illinois and has been awarded the Purple Heart by a branch of the Armed Forces may apply for these plates.

The Purple Heart recipient may apply for as many sets of these plates as he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name.

Required: a copy of the Discharge from Military Service (DD214) **or** a letter of verification showing your status as a Purple Heart recipient from the Department of Veterans Affairs **or** the federal government.

ILLINOIS NATIONAL GUARD AND ARMED FORCES RESERVES





Any active member of the Illinois National Guard or Armed Forces Reserves who resides in Illinois and has a 12-month term of enlistment may apply for these plates.

The Reservist or National Guard member may apply for as many sets of these plates as

he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name.

Required: a completed affirmation statement from the military unit showing the member's term of enlistment, signed and completed by the unit commander or representative. The term of enlistment must cover the full 12-month vehicle registration period being applied for.

NOTE: If the term of enlistment does not extend through the registration period for which you are applying, and you plan to reenlist, complete both sides of the affirmation statement verifying that you will be an active member for the 12-month registration period.

HOW TO APPLY

- 1. Submit a completed affirmation form or a letter of verification showing status from the federal government or from the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 2. If the vehicle is registered in the name of the person who served or is serving in the Armed Forces, submit a current registration card or a copy of the title along with a completed title and registration application and applicable fee. (See "Registration Information" section.)
- 3. If the vehicle is not titled and registered in the name of the person who served, submit the properly assigned manufacturer's certificate of origin or title along with a completed title and registration application and applicable fees.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

If your present Illinois license plates **expire** within 60 days and you have not renewed your registration, please submit the following items:

- 1. A preprinted renewal application or a properly completed registration application.
- 2. The documentation required for the plate category for which you are applying.
- 3. Proof of ownership.
- 4. Annual registration fee of \$48 (applicable only to Armed Forces Reserves, Retired Armed Forces, Illinois National Guard and Purple Heart plates).
- 5. A fee of \$15 in addition to the \$48 registration fee (applicable only to Gold Star license plates). NOTE: An additional \$2 fee is required upon renewal of Gold Star plates.

If your current license plates **do not expire within 60 days**, you must apply for a reclassification by submitting the following:

- A properly completed registration application.
- 2. The documentation required for the plate category for which you are applying.
- Your current license plates and registration card.
- 4. A \$5 reclassification fee (additional \$15 for Gold Star plates).

BASIC FACTS

- All titles, transfers, duplicate registration cards and replacement license plates are subject to standard fees.
- Military license plates may be displayed on the following types of vehicles: passenger cars, trucks and vans weighing 8,000 pounds or less.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For further information regarding military license plates, contact:

Secretary of State Non-Standard Plates Section Howlett Building, Room 539 Springfield, IL 62756

Armed Forces Reserves: (217) 782-2402

Congressional Medal of Honor: (217) 782-2470

Disabled Veterans: (217) 782-3166 Ex-Prisoner of War: (217) 785-4175

Gold Star: (217) 785-6901

Illinois National Guard: (217) 782-2402

Purple Heart: (217) 785-4175

Retired Armed Forces: (217) 782-2435 Pearl Harbor Survivor: (217) 785-6901

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For further information regarding documentation for Disabled Veteran and Ex-Prisoner of War plates, contact:

> Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs 833 S. Spring Springfield, IL 62704 (217) 782-3418

Veterans Administration Regional Office 536 S. Clark St. Chicago, IL 60605 (312) 663-5519

For further information regarding documentation for Purple Heart plates, contact:

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CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR



Any resident of Illinois who has been awarded this medal may apply for these plates at no cost for the first set.

Required: a form from the federal government or a letter from the Dept. of Veterans Affairs verifying that applicant received the medal.

GOLD STAR



Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Gold Star and is the surviving spouse or — if there is no spouse — the surviving parent of a service member who has lost

his or her life while in the U.S. Armed Forces may apply for one set of these plates.

Required: an affirmation statement attesting to receipt of the Gold Star, including the service member's name and relationship to the applicant.

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Required: a letter from the Dept. of Veterans Affairs verifying that you: (1) are 100 percent military service disabled, or (2) are eligible to receive a grant from the U.S. government toward the purchase of a vehicle, or (3) have received a grant from the U.S. government toward the purchase of a vehicle.

RETIRED ARMED FORCES



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Required: a copy of D.D. Form 2 (U.S. Uniformed Service I.D. Card)

verifying full retirement status.

NOTE: Members of the Armed Forces Reserves or Illinois National Guard who have not reached the age of 60 must submit a copy of D.D. Form 2 and documentation showing transfer to retired status.

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Required: an affirmation stating the applicant was present on the island of Oahu or aboard ship within three miles of the island at the time of the attack.

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The ex-prisoner of war's name must appear as owner or co-owner on both the title and the registration application.

Required: a form from the federal government or a letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs verifying your ex-prisoner of war status.

PURPLE HEART



Any U. S. citizen who resides in Illinois and has been awarded the Purple Heart by a branch of the Armed Forces may apply for these plates.

The Purple Heart recipient may apply for as many sets of these plates as he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name.

Required: a copy of the Discharge from Military Service (DD214) **or** a letter of verification showing your status as a Purple Heart recipient from the Department of Veterans Affairs **or** the federal government.

ILLINOIS NATIONAL GUARD AND ARMED FORCES RESERVES





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The Reservist or National Guard member may apply for as many sets of these plates as

he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name.

Required: a completed affirmation statement from the military unit showing the member's term of enlistment, signed and completed by the unit commander or representative. The term of enlistment must cover the full 12-month vehicle registration period being applied for.

NOTE: If the term of enlistment does not extend through the registration period for which you are applying, and you plan to reenlist, complete both sides of the affirmation statement verifying that you will be an active member for the 12-month registration period.

KOREAN WAR VETERAN



Issued to any Illinois resident who participated in the U.S. Armed Forces between June 27, 1950, and July 27, 1954, within the territorial limits of Korea or in waters immediately adjacent thereto or has been

issued the Korean War Service Medal.

Required: a photocopy of DD214 (discharge from the military service) indicating applicant received a Korean War Service Medal (KSM) or a "letter of verification" from the Illinois Dept. of Veterans Affairs or the federal government showing applicant's service record.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

If your present Illinois license plates **expire** within 60 days and you have not renewed your registration, please submit the following items:

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- 2. The documentation required for the plate category for which you are applying.
- 3. Proof of ownership.
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BASIC FACTS

- All titles, transfers, duplicate registration cards and replacement license plates are subject to standard fees.
- Military license plates may be displayed on the following types of vehicles: passenger cars, trucks and vans weighing 8,000 pounds or less.
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FOR MORE INFORMATION

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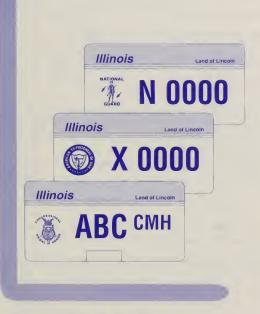
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Secretary of State

CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR



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Required: a form from the federal government or a letter from the Dept. of Veterans Affairs verifying that the applicant received the medal.

GOLD STAR



Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the Gold Star and is the surviving spouse or — if there is no spouse — the surviving parent of a service member who has lost his or her life while in the U.S. Armed Forces may apply for one set of these plates.

Required: an affirmation statement attesting to receipt of the Gold Star, including the service member's name and relationship to the applicant.

BRONZE STAR



Any Illinois resident who has been awarded this medal may apply for as many sets of these plates as he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name.

Required: a photocopy of DD214 (discharge from the military service) indicating receipt of the pertinent

medal or a "letter of verification" from the Illinois Dept. of Veterans Affairs or the federal government showing applicant's service record.

DISABLED VETERAN



Any U.S. Armed Forces veteran who has a 100 percent military disability or is eligible to receive a grant from the U.S. government toward the purchase of a vehicle may obtain DV plates. No fees are required for the first set of plates.

NOTE: Vehicles displaying DV plates may occupy areas specifically reserved for use by persons with disabilities. Parking meter fees and time limitations are also waived, except at meters, signs or other markings with time limitations of 30 minutes or less.

Required: a letter from the Dept. of Veterans Affairs verifying that you: (1) are 100 percent military service disabled, or (2) are eligible to receive a grant from the U.S. government toward

the purchase of a vehicle, or (3) have received a grant from the U.S. government toward the purchase of a vehicle.

RETIRED ARMED FORCES



Any retired member of the U.S. Armed Forces who resides in Illinois may apply for these plates.

Required: a copy of DD Form 2 (U.S. Uniformed Service I.D. Card) verifying full retirement status.

NOTE: Members of the Armed Forces Reserves or Illinois National Guard who have not reached the age of 60 must submit a copy of DD Form 2 and documentation showing transfer to retired status.

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PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR Any Illinois resident, who, while a member of the United States Armed Forces, participated in the battle of

Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, may apply for these plates.

Required: an affirmation stating the applicant was present on the island of Oahu or aboard ship within three miles of the island at the time of the attack.

Effective Jan. 1, 1997, the widowed spouse of a Survivor of Pearl Harbor may also be issued license plates, provided the widowed spouse was married to the Pearl Harbor survivor at the time of death and single at the time of application.

EX-PRISONER OF WAR



Any U.S. citizen who is a present or former member of the U.S. Armed Forces or any of its Allies and who was a prisoner of war may apply for these plates. No fees are required for the the first set of plates.

The ex-prisoner of war's name must appear as owner or co-owner on both the title and the registration application.

The widowed spouse of a former member of the U.S. Armed Forces may apply for the plates, providing that the widowed spouse: (1) was married to the ex-prisoner of war at the time the ex-prisoner of war died, **and** (2) is single at the time of the application.

Required: a form from the federal government or a letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs verifying your ex-prisoner of war status.

PURPLE HEART



Any U. S. citizen who resides in Illinois and has been awarded the Purple Heart by a branch of the Armed Forces may apply for these plates.

The Purple Heart recipient may apply for as many sets of these plates as he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name.

Required: a copy of the Discharge from Military Service (DD214) **or** a letter of verification showing your status as a Purple Heart recipient from the Department of Veterans Affairs **or** the federal government.

ILLINOIS NATIONAL GUARD AND ARMED FORCES RESERVES



Any active member of the Illinois National Guard or Armed Forces Reserves who resides in Illinois and has a 12-month term of enlistment may apply for these plates.



The Reservist or National Guard member may apply for as many sets of these plates as he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name.

Required: a legible and current photocopy of the DD Form 2 identification card (United States Uniformed Service Identification Card) showing guard status.

KOREAN WAR VETERAN



Issued to any Illinois resident who participated in the U.S. Armed Forces between June 27, 1950, and July 27, 1954, within the territorial limits of Korea or in waters immediately adjacent thereto or has been issued the Korean War Service Medal.

The Medal recipient may apply for as many sets of Korean War Veteran plates as he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name. The recipient also may apply the Circuit Breaker to \$48 registration fees only.

Required: a photocopy of DD214 (discharge from the military service) indicating applicant received a Korean War Service Medal (KSM) or a "letter of verification" from the Illinois Dept. of

Veterans Affairs or the federal government showing applicant's service record.

UNIVERSAL VETERAN

Issued to any Illinois resident who participated in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Required: A Copy of discharge from the military service (DD214) or a letter of verification showing military service from the Department of Veterans' Affairs or the federal government.

Note: These plates offer the option of showing your branch of service, and/or a theater of action. The decals for branch of service, and/or theater of action can be acquired from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Adjutant-Quartermaster or the American Legion, Department of the Adjutant.

If requesting the POW/MIA license plate no special documentation is required.

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- Korean War Veteran license plates may also be displayed on Recreational Vehicles.
- Only one set of Disabled Veteran, Congressional Medal of Honor and Ex-Prisoner of War license plates may be issued at "no fee."
 Additional sets may be purchased at the annual registration fee of \$48.
- Purple Heart and Korean War Veteran applicants who claim and receive a grant under
 the Senior Citizens Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act (Circuit Breaker) may apply for a 50
 percent reduction in the regular annual registration fee.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Secretary of State Non-Standard Plates Section 501 S. 2nd St., Room 539 Springfield, IL 62756

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Jesse White Secretary of State

A Message from the Secretary



Dear Friend:

Having served our country twice—first as a paratrooper in the U.S. Army's 101st Airborne Division, then later as a member of the Illinois National Guard, I have a unique understanding of the needs of veterans. As

your new Secretary of State, I have directed my office to pay special attention to the needs of our veterans community.

Currently, my office is offering 11 different military service-related license plates. This brochure is designed to help you understand the variety of military plates we offer and to help you navigate the bureaucracy set up to administer them.

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Required: an affirmation statement attesting to receipt of the Gold Star, including the service member's name and relationship to the applicant.

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Any U.S. Armed Forces veteran who has a 100 percent military disability or is eligible to receive a grant from the U.S. government toward the purchase of a vehicle may obtain DV plates. No fees are required for the first set of plates.

NOTE: Vehicles displaying DV plates may occupy areas specifically reserved for use by persons with disabilities. Parking meter fees and time limitations are also waived, except at meters, signs or other markings with time limitations of 30 minutes or less.

Required: a letter from the Dept. of Veterans Affairs verifying that you: (1) are 100 percent military service disabled, or (2) are eligible to receive a grant from the U.S. government toward

the purchase of a vehicle, or (3) have received a grant from the U.S. government toward the purchase of a vehicle.

RETIRED ARMED FORCES



Any retired member of the U.S. Armed Forces who resides in Illinois may apply for these plates.

Required: a copy of DD Form 2 (U.S. Uniformed Service I.D. Card) verifying full retirement status.

NOTE: Members of the Armed Forces Reserves or Illinois National Guard who have not reached the age of 60 must submit a copy of DD Form 2 and documentation showing transfer to retired status.

PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR

PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR Any Illinois resident, who, while a member of the United States Armed Forces, participated in the battle of

Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, may apply for these plates.

Required: an affirmation stating the applicant was present on the island of Oahu or aboard ship within three miles of the island at the time of the attack.

Effective Jan. 1, 1997, the widowed spouse of a Survivor of Pearl Harbor may also be issued license plates, provided the widowed spouse was married to the Pearl Harbor survivor at the time of death and single at the time of application.

EX-PRISONER OF WAR



Any U.S. citizen who is a present or former member of the U.S. Armed Forces or any of its Allies and who was a prisoner of war may apply for these plates. No fees are required for the first set of plates.

The ex-prisoner of war's name must appear as owner or co-owner on both the title and the registration application.

The widowed spouse of a former member of the U.S. Armed Forces may apply for the plates, providing that the widowed spouse: (1) was married to the ex-prisoner of war at the time the ex-prisoner of war died, **and** (2) is single at the time of the application.

Required: a form from the federal government or a letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs verifying your ex-prisoner of war status.

PURPLE HEART



Any U. S. citizen who resides in Illinois and has been awarded the Purple Heart by a branch of the Armed Forces may apply for these plates.

The Purple Heart recipient may apply for as many sets of these plates as he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name.

The recipient also may apply the circuit breaker to \$48 registration fees only.

Required: a copy of the Discharge from Military Service (DD214) **or** a letter of verification showing your status as a Purple Heart recipient from the Department of Veterans Affairs **or** the federal government.

ILLINOIS NATIONAL GUARD AND ARMED FORCES RESERVES



Any active member of the Illinois National Guard or Armed Forces Reserves who resides in Illinois and has a 12-month term of enlistment may apply for these plates.



The Reservist or National Guard member may apply for as many sets of these plates as he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name.

Required: a legible and current photocopy of the DD Form 2 identi-

fication card (United States Uniformed Service Identification Card) showing guard status.

KOREAN WAR VETERAN



Issued to any Illinois resident who participated in the U.S. Armed Forces between June 27, 1950, and July 27, 1954, within the territorial limits of Korea or in waters immediately adjacent thereto or has been issued the Korean War Service Medal.

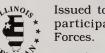
The Medal recipient may apply for as many sets of Korean War Veteran plates as he or she has vehicles titled, registered or leased in his or her name. The recipient also may apply the Circuit Breaker to \$48 registration fees only.

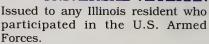
Required: a photocopy of DD214 (discharge from the military service) indicating applicant received a Korean War Service Medal (KSM) or a "letter of verification" from the Illinois Dept. of

Veterans Affairs or the federal government showing applicant's service record.

UNIVERSAL VETERAN









Required: A Copy of discharge from the military service (DD214) or a letter of verification showing military service from the Department of Veterans' Affairs or the federal government.

Note: These plates offer the option of showing your branch of service, and/ or a theater of action. The decals for

branch of service, and/or theater of action can be acquired from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Adjutant-Quartermaster or the American Legion, Department of the Adjutant.

If requesting the POW/MIA license plate no special documentation is required.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

If your present Illinois license plates expire within 60 days and you have not renewed your registration, please submit the following items:

- A preprinted renewal application or a properly completed registration application.
- 2. The documentation required for the plate category for which you are applying.
- 3. Proof of ownership.
- Annual registration fee of \$48 (appli-4. cable only to Armed Forces Reserves, Retired Armed Forces, Illinois National Guard, Pearl Harbor Survivor and Purple Heart plates).
- A fee of \$15 in addition to the \$48 5. registration fee (applicable only to Gold Star, Korean War Veteran, Bronze Star and Universal Veterans license plates). NOTE: An additional \$2 fee is required upon renewal of Gold Star, Korean War Veteran, Bronze Star and Universal Veteran plates.

If your current license plates **do not expire** within **60 days**, you must apply for a reclassification by submitting the following:

- A properly completed registration application.
- 2. The documentation required for the plate category for which you are applying.
- 3. Your current registration card.
- 4. An \$11 replacement fee (plus any additional applicable original issuance fees).

BASIC FACTS

- All titles, transfers, duplicate registration cards and replacement license plates are subject to standard fees.
- Military license plates may be displayed on the following types of vehicles: passenger cars, trucks and vans weighing 8,000 pounds or less.
- Korean War Veteran license plates may also be displayed on Recreational Vehicles.
- Only one set of Disabled Veteran, Congressional Medal of Honor and Ex-Prisoner of War license plates may be issued at "no fee."
 Additional sets may be purchased at the annual registration fee of \$48.
- Purple Heart and Korean War Veteran applicants who claim and receive a grant under
 the Senior Citizens Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act (Circuit Breaker) may apply for a 50
 percent reduction in the regular annual registration fee.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For further information regarding military license plates, contact:

Secretary of State Non-Standard Plates Section 501 S. 2nd St., Room 539 Springfield, IL 62756

Armed Forces Reserves: (217) 785-1697 Congressional Medal of Honor: (217) 785-4175

Disabled Veterans: (217) 785-4175 Ex-Prisoner of War: (217) 785-4175

Gold Star: (217) 785-4175

Illinois National Guard: (217) 785-1697

Korean War Veteran: (217) 782-2884 Purple Heart: (217) 785-4175

Retired Armed Forces: (217) 785-1697

Pearl Harbor Survivor: (217) 785-4175 Bronze Star (217) 785-4175 Universal Veteran (217) 782-2470

TOLL-FREE: (800) 252-8980 Mon. — Fri., 8 a.m. — 8 p.m. Sat., 8 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.

HISPANIC LINE: (312) 793-1338/1339 Mon. — Fri., 8:30 a.m. — 5 p.m.

For further information regarding documentation for Disabled Veteran and Ex-Prisoner of War plates, contact:

Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs 833 S. Spring Springfield, IL 62794-9432 (217) 782-3418

Veterans Administration Regional Office 536 S. Clark St. Chicago, IL 60605 (312) 663-5519

For further information regarding documentation for Purple Heart or Korean War Veteran plates, contact:

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National Personnel Records Center 9700 Page Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63132

MANDATORY VEHICLE INSURANCE

All motor vehicles registered and operated in Illinois must be covered by liability insurance—insurance that covers the property damage and/or injuries you may cause others in an accident.



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JESSE WHITE SECRETARY OF STATE

Dear Friends,

Having served in the U.S. Armed Forces — first as a paratrooper in the Army's 101st Airborne Division, then later as a member of the Illinois National Guard, I understand the contributions veterans have made to our country and share their pride.

My office offers several military service-related license plates to honor those who have served this great country. If you qualify for any of these special military plate categories, I encourage you to proudly display these plates on your vehicle and get the recognition you rightfully deserve.

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Armed Forces Reserves Illinois National Guard

Any Illinois resident who is an active member of the Illinois National Guard or Armed Forces Reserves and has a 12-month term of enlistment may apply for as many sets of these plates as they have vehicles titled, registered or leased in their name.

Required: current photocopy of DD Form 2 (U.S. Uniformed Service ID Card) verifying guard or reserve status. (A copy of the form is also required upon renewal.)

Bronze Star/Silver Star

Illinois residents who have been awarded the Bronze Star or Silver Star medal may apply for as many sets of these plates as they have vehicles titled, registered or leased in their name.

Required: photocopy of DD214 (discharge from military service) verifying receipt of medal, or letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs or the federal government verifying service record.

Congressional Medal of Honor

Illinois residents who have been awarded this medal are eligible for these plates. No fees are required for the first set of plates.

Required: form from the federal government or letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs verifying receipt of medal.

Pearl Harbor Survivor

Any Illinois resident who served at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces is eligible for these plates.

The widowed spouse of a Pearl Harbor survivor is eligible, provided the spouse was married to the Pearl Harbor survivor at the time of death and single at the time of application.

Required: letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs or the federal government verifying presence on the island of Oahu or aboard a ship within three miles of the island during the attack.

Purple Heart

Any Illinois resident who has been awarded the military's Purple Heart medal may apply for as many sets of these plates as they have vehicles titled, registered or leased in their name.

Required: photocopy of DD214 (discharge from military service) or letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs or the federal government verifying receipt of the Purple Heart.

Retired Armed Forces

Any retired member of the U.S. Armed Forces who resides in Illinois may apply for these plates.

Required: photocopy of DD Form 2 (U.S. Uniformed Service ID Card) verifying full retirement status.

Members of the Armed Forces Reserves or Illinois National Guard who have not reached age 60 must submit a copy of DD Form 2 and documentation showing transfer to retired status.

Universal Veteran

Issued to any Illinois resident who has served in the U.S. Armed Forces. These plates offer the option of displaying the branch of service and/or theater of action. Decals are available through the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Adjutant-Quarter-Master or the American Legion, Department of the Adjutant.

Required: photocopy of DD214 (discharge from military service) or letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs or the federal government verifying military service. If requesting the POW/MIA license plate, no special documentation is required.

Vietnam Veteran

Illinois residents who served in the Vietnam conflict may apply for as many sets of these plates as they have vehicles titled, registered or leased in their name.

Required: letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs or the federal government verifying service record.

World War II Veteran

Issued to any Illinois resident who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II. The veteran may apply for as many sets of these plates as they have vehicles titled, registered or leased in their name.

Required: photocopy of DD214 (discharge from military service) verifying military service between Dec. 7, 1941, and Sept. 2, 1945, or a letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs or the federal government verifying service record.

Military Plate Facts

- Titles, transfers, duplicate registration cards and replacement license plates are subject to standard fees.
- Military license plates may be displayed on passenger cars, trucks and vans weighing 8,000 pounds or less.
- Purple Heart and Korean War Veteran applicants who receive a grant under the Circuit Breaker Program may apply for a reduced registration fee.

For more information

Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs

833 S. Spring St. Springfield, IL 62794-9432

217-782-3418

Veterans Administration Regional Office

536 S. Clark St. Chicago, IL 60605 312-663-5519

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Disabled Veteran

Any U.S. Armed Forces veteran who has a 100 percent military disability or who is eligible to receive a federal grant toward the purchase of a vehicle is eligible for these plates. No fees are required for the first set of plates. Vehicles displaying these plates may park in spaces reserved for persons with disabilities. Parking meter fees and time limitations are also waived, except in areas with designated parking of 30 minutes or less.

Required: letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs verifying the applicant is 100 percent military service disabled, or is eligible to receive or in receipt of a federal grant toward the purchase of a vehicle.

Ex-Prisoner of War

Any U.S. citizen who was a prisoner of war and is a present or former member of the U.S. Armed Forces or any of its allies is eligible for these plates. No fees are required for the first set of plates. The name of the ex-prisoner of war must appear as owner or co-owner on both the title and registration applications. The widowed spouse of an ex-prisoner of war may apply for these plates, provided the spouse was married to the ex-prisoner of war

Required: form from the federal government or letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs verifying Ex-Prisoner of War status

at the time of death and is single at the time of application.

Gold Star

Surviving spouses of Illinois residents who received the Gold Star may apply for one set of these plates. If no spouse, a surviving parent may apply; if no parent, a surviving sibling may apply.

Required: letter verifying receipt of Gold Star medal, including service member's name and relationship to applicant.

Korean War Veteran

Issued to Illinois residents who served in the U.S. Armed Forces between June 27, 1950, and July 27, 1954, within the territorial limits of Korea, in water immediately adjacent thereto, or who have been issued the Korean War Service Medal. Medal recipients may apply for as many sets of these plates as they have vehicles titled, registered or leased in their name. Korean War Veteran plates may be displayed on recreational vehicles.

Required: photocopy of DD214 (discharge from military service) indicating Korean War Service Medal status or letter from the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs or the federal government verifying service record.

Registration Information

If your current Illinois license plates expire within 90 days and you have not renewed your registration, submit:

- preprinted renewal application or registration application
- documentation required for the relevant plate category
- proof of ownership
- annual registration and other applicable fees (A \$15 fee is required for the original issuance of Gold Star, Korean War Veteran, Bronze Star, Silver Star, World War II Veteran, Vietnam Veteran and Universal Veteran plates. A \$2 fee is required upon renewal.)

If your current license plates do not expire within 90 days, you must apply for reclassification by submitting:

- registration application
- documentation required for the relevant plate category
- current registration card
- \$14 replacement fee (plus applicable original issuance fees).

For More Information

Armed Forces Reserves/Illinois National Guard/

Illinois Secretary of State

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World War II Veteran

Universal Veteran217-785-8627

Toll Free: 800-252-8980

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